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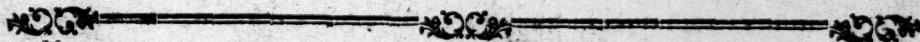
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TO Mrs. MACAULAY!

MADAM!

IMPRESSED with sentiments of the deepest and warmest gratitude, I have the honour of inscribing to you a Pamphlet, which has acquired importance from the renowned name of *Macaulay*!

When I first published the valuable discoveries and improvements which I have made in the cure of diseases, the world smiled at me as a visionary projector, or contemned me as a boasting empiric. But happily for me, and thrice happy for the world, that my Pamphlet had the honour of reaching your hand. For you, Madam! had no

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fooner read it, than your comprehensive and most penetrating genius discovered, that the methods I had explored, were at once powerful, safe, and rational.—Like your compeer and namesake the illustrious CATHARINE! the Mistress of the greatest empire on the globe! *you* was the first who had resolution to make trial of them: Like *her* too, you succeeded; and like her, you have been graciously pleased to recommend them, from your own happy experience, as safe and salutary—as an invaluable blessing to mankind; and you have already, Madam, the satisfaction to know, that almost as many lives have been preserved and made happy in England, by means of my discoveries and improvements, as in Russia, by the salutary practice of inoculation.

To have had the honour of attending a Lady of your exalted—your *unique* character; and the
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supreme blessedness of removing, under God, the complicated and obstinate maladies your fair—your very delicate frame was afflicted with, will ever be esteemed by myself, and by the world, as the happiest and most honourable incident of my life; and while I look up to you, Madam, as the fair foundation and grand pillar of my fame and fortune—hundreds encouraged by your example to partake of the same healing principles,—emerging from pain and wretchedness, “shall arise up and call you blessed.”

I feel myself, Madam, under the greatest obligations to you, for the pleasure of your friendship, and for the most honourable suffrage of your obliging letter, and I wish, were it only in words, to demonstrate the cordial sense I bear of the distinguished honour—but a character like your's,
 Madam!

Madam! so strongly marked by learning and liberality, and so sweetly distinguished for philanthropy, and the most diffusive benevolence—can receive no lustre from my acknowledgments—no ornaments from my pen.

While the world, Madam! is pouring out thanks to me from every quarter, for strengthening the fair hand that guides the first and most eloquent pen in the universe—a pen that is *again* employed in the most noble, and most disinterested cause—justice compels me to declare, that to your judicious hints, and scientific regulation of my proceedings in your case—not a little of the merit of the extraordinary cure is due. But while I mention this, it is but hinting at the universality of a genius and a judgment, which your cotemporaries acknowledge, and which future ages, to the latest period of time, must admire.

But

But pardon me, Madam! while I thus faintly attempt to express with my pen, the warm feelings—the exuberant overflowings of my heart in thankfulness for your friendship—and in admiration of your virtues and abilities—I may incur your displeasure by wounding that modesty which is inseparable from true genius—that delicacy which gives additional lustre to even the most brilliant character.

I beg leave, only, Madam! to present to the Revd. DR. WILSON, thro' your agreeable medium, my most hearty acknowledgements. I rejoice that so great and so good a Man has experienced, so sensibly, the happy effects of my important discoveries; and I acknowledge the advantages I have received from his respectable patronage of my peculiar Art.

Thus

Thus restored to an admiring world, and enjoying exquisitely and rationally all the pleasures that are annexed to good health, go on, Great Lady! in the arduous and honourable sphere that an indulgent Providence hath enabled you to shine in; and late—very late, may you chearfully resign the unsatisfactory possession of sublunary honours, for the eternal enjoyment of celestial Glory!!!

I have the honour,

Renowned Lady!

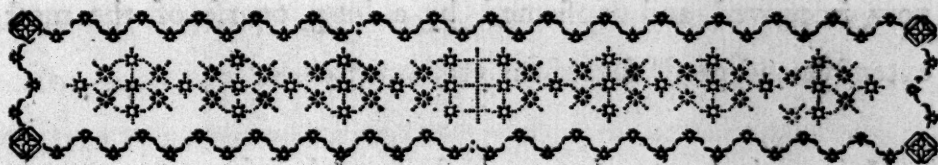
Of remaining the most obedient,

Most obliged, and most devoted

Of your Servants,

*Bath, March 31st,
1777.*

JAMES GRAHAM.



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ABOUT ten years ago, I relinquished, in a great measure, the general practice of Physic, to which I had been regularly educated in the justly celebrated University of *Edinburgh*, and confined my studies and practice to the disorders of those most important organs the Eye and Ear.—I soon found it necessary to step out of the old and narrow track, and, regardless of vague and conjectural hypotheses, ventured to mount, as it were, on the shoulders of modern improvements, and to look round in the ample field of Science, for those important paths which lead to the perfection of the art;—on new and rational principles deducing methods of cure,

now improved and confirmed by a long course of the most extensive and most successful practice.*

HAPPY in having, by much study and observation, contributed so considerably to the improvement of the practice in the distempers of the organs of those two most precious senses,—I began to consider, with compassion and astonishment, that, notwithstanding the vast advances which, in every branch of natural science, had been made since the commencement of the present century,—the cure of diseases in general, those especially of the most dangerous kind, had received so few real improvements. Fashions, indeed, have changed, but the Healing Art hath gained little by the alteration. Anatomy hath amazingly improved our knowledge of the structure of the human body; Pathology and Nosology have been cultivated with no small degree of success, have thrown considerable light on the true nature of diseases, and have vied with natural history in just and methodical arrangement; Chemistry hath furnished us with numberless new and powerful medicines;

* See a Pamphlet, entitled, "The Present State of Practice in Diseases of the Eye and Ear, considered," &c.—To be had as above, containing near 150 remarkable Cases and Cures of blind and deaf persons.

cines; and Pharmacy hath been reduced to the utmost elegance—to the most beautiful simplicity. Yet, still, some of the most frequent and most dangerous disorders continue to elude every effort of the most consummate medical skill.—Consumptions are generally found to be incurable,—Asthmas have baffled the most experienced practitioners,—Nervous disorders are seldom perfectly subdued,—and the Gout still deserves the humiliating appellation of the *Opprobrium Medicorum*—the reproach of Physicians, and the disgrace of the Healing Art. This, on a superficial view, appears unaccountable; but on a nearer inspection, the whole mystery will vanish. The medical profession, like every other, hath always consisted, and always will consist, of men of various degrees of ability; who may be considered, without much violation of truth, as constituting two very different and opposite classes,—the men of genius, and the men of no genius. Of the latter, as possessing nothing, nothing could be expected;—without genius or abilities, they are indebted to the other class for the moderate share of medical knowledge which they possess,—happy, if they are but capable of receiving and retaining the little that is taught in some fashionable system of Physiology or practice of Physic,—

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they deal it out unimproved,—without addition, and fortunately for their patients, if without diminution, in the common routine of practice :—but from the former, more might reasonably be hoped for. From men of real genius, improved with every species of useful and elegant learning, men who have been at once the lights and ornament of their profession, we might naturally expect a rich harvest of new discoveries and improvements in the CURE of diseases; but such expectations have, for the most part, been grievously disappointed.—The harvest hath indeed been rich,—but the sick and diseased have received but small proportional benefit :—it hath been rich in theory, but poor in the practical application of it. Indeed the tinsel glitter of a fine-spun theory, or favourite hypothesis—so dazzles, flatters, and charms human vanity,—that so far from contributing to the certain and speedy cure of diseases, it hath, in every age, proved the bane and disgrace of the Healing Art.

SUCH, alas! is the infatuation of genius,—such are the allurements of a lively, sublime, and creative imagination,—that while busy in searching into the great mysteries of nature,
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and of nature's laws,—they have attended too little to the practical application of their important discoveries—to the uses of life, and the cure of diseases. In short, they have enriched the science of medicine, but have added no great deal to the art:—like architects of more genius than judgment, they have attended so much to the beauty and elegance of the building, as utterly to neglect the more important matters of convenience and real use. For these reasons, the art of healing hath made but slow and inconsiderable advances towards perfection. Practitioners of the former sort are incapable of improving it; and the latter have too much neglected it. No wonder, therefore, that the diseases above-mentioned continue to baffle the endeavours of the most skilful; and that, though much hath been written about the nature and causes of Consumptions, Asthmas, the Gout, Nervous and some other disorders,—they are yet always found tedious and obstinate, and for the most part incurable. I flatter myself, however, that by attending to the causes of the ill success of my brethren, and cautiously avoiding the rocks on which they unhappily split,—I have been able to make such discoveries as afford real and valuable improvement in the cure of the above-

mentioned and some other most cruel distempers. This will appear incontestably obvious from the very extraordinary cases and cures hereunto annexed:—they are selected from many others of a similar nature. I had long observed, that the most usual medicines in these diseases were frequently trifling, generally nauseous and inefficacious, and very often detrimental: That greasy, oily, and what are improperly called balsamic medicines, so frequently prescribed in consumptive and asthmatic cases, served only to load the stomach, pall the appetite, deprive the body of its due nourishment, and waste its strength, without contributing a single mite, in any respect, towards their relief: That hot, acrid, and stimulating resinous gums and balsams so much in use, and exercise on horse-back, which has been thought capable of doing miracles, with rum or brandy, wines, and indeed any other kind of violent exercise, and all fermented liquors, animal jellies, and some other matters, are little better than actual poisons in most disorders of the lungs: That fiery, spirituous liquors, and heating wines, so universally recommended, are exceedingly pernicious in the gout; and that the whole tribe of nauseous foetid medicines, commonly esteemed

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specifics in disorders of the nerves, are inelegant, inefficacious, —and, by destroying the appetite and injuring the digestive faculties, often prove fatally pernicious; and that, notwithstanding the great improvements lately made in almost every branch of surgery, Cancers are universally allowed to be incurable, except in the first stage, by the knife; and that the treatment of sores and ulcers, especially those of any standing, is always tedious, and generally, at best, unsuccessful. These reflections led me to consider, whether it were not possible, either by a happy application of what was already known, or by some strange oversight or supineness, not yet applied to those important medical purposes which they were capable of answering,—or by new investigations and discoveries, to invent some easy, elegant, and efficacious remedies for the radical cure of these hitherto untractable disorders;—and I have been so happy, in the course of my inquiries, as to discover certain subtil chemical essences,—aërial, ætherial, magnetic, and electric vapours, baths, and medicines, of so active and penetrating a nature, and possessed of such extraordinary nourishing, cordial, invigorating, antiseptic, antispasmodic, and anodyne powers,—as scarcely ever to fail of affording great

and instantaneous relief,—immediately stopping the progress, and frequently curing in the very worst stages of these dangerous and obstinate diseases : in one word, they are, without exception, the most curious, and the most important acquisitions that ever enriched the science of medicine,—or dignified the Healing Art.

To effect these, I had almost said invaluable discoveries, I have spared neither cost nor pains ; I have diligently consulted the literary monuments of the illustrious dead ; and courted the information and instruction of the eminent among the living ; and after collecting what I could in my native country, I travelled for farther intelligence and improvement in several foreign nations.

I KNEW that in *Philadelphia*, Electricity had been more improved and was better understood, than in any other part of the world ; and it is universally acknowledged, that the Germans excel in the knowledge of the abstruse and more curious branches of Chemistry, as well as of the nature of mines, metals, and minerals.

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I EMBARKED accordingly several years ago for America ; and after making a tour of the middle Colonies of that vast Continent, I resided in *Philadelphia* two years, attending the public Exhibitions and Lectures on Electricity in that College, as well as applying closely to private experiments.

IN *Germany* too I spent a considerable time in chemical and magnetic researches ; but after all, I had not brought the applications to the point of perfection I aimed at, before I would venture to recommend them with confidence to the public ; 'till hearing at last of a person in *Russia*, who had devoted almost his whole life to the study of magnetism, I resolved on visiting this gentleman.

To *St. Petersburg* therefore I went, and notwithstanding the length of the journey (near four thousand miles going and returning) I was richly compensated by the great improvements I was enabled to make in matters of such high importance. On my return to London, I digested the whole, and with much labour, experience, expence, and observation, reduced the processes, preparations, and applications to the utmost

simplicity their natures were susceptible of: and now, the instant relief I constantly afford, and the astonishing and altogether unexpected cures I frequently perform, in each and every stage of the above-mentioned dreadful disorders, independent of pecuniary emolument, afford me daily the highest and most exalted pleasure that the human mind is perhaps capable of enjoying.

I CANNOT allow myself to let this opportunity pass, without acknowledging the much valuable information and many useful hints I have received from the judicious, truly philosophical and practical publications of several of my ingenious countrymen, who are living ornaments, and will be an everlasting honour to this learned age and nation.—To the illustrious Sir JOHN PRINGLE, the Hon. Mr. CAVENDISH, Dr. BLACK, Dr. BROWNRIGG, Dr. M'BRIDE, and the judicious and indefatigable Dr. PRIESTLEY, I am indebted for many important discoveries and hints relative to the nature of animal putrefaction, and the application of fixed air and other antiseptic substances to the human body, in the cure of every kind of putrid disorders; and to the latter, for many new and curious experiments,

ments, as well as for a great number of hints, queries, and conjectures thrown out as subjects well worthy the attention of future adventurers in the investigation and improvement of electrical science.—To the justly celebrated Dr. FOTHERGILL, I am indebted for some valuable hints concerning the cure of Consumptions.—To the late learned and sagacious Doctor WHYT, for much improvement relative to the nature and cure of all nervous disorders; and to that judicious philosopher, and most elegant writer, the late Dr. GREGORY, for reducing the whole treatment of the Gout to the most beautiful precision and simplicity.—Assisted by the discoveries, improvements, and hints of these great men, I have had the happiness to invent methods of curing the disorders above-mentioned, that is to say, Consumptions, Asthmas, Nervous disorders, &c.—Methods which possess all the qualifications of the most perfect mode required by CELSUS, of curing “*Cito, tuto, et jucunde,*” speedily, safely, and agreeably.

ALL this is done often with no internal medicines, and always with very few, and those of the most elegant and most agreeable kind; consisting chiefly of certain pure, subtil, che-

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mical effences ; ærial, ætherial, magnetic, and electric Vapours and *Applications*, variously modified, combined, and applied, so as to be adapted to the great variety of constitutions and cases, which, in some form or other, require and are capable of being cured or relieved by them. For I pretend *not* to cure *every* Consumption, every Gout, every nervous or painful disorder which may occur ; but I dare venture to promise the cure of most, and the relief of all whose cases I shall undertake. For some cases there are, with which, though they may seem to come within the above description, I shall have no concern ;—some, as being too inconsiderable, and readily cured in the common modes of practice by every man of any skill in his profession ;—these I leave to my brethren of the faculty, to be cured by the usual means :—and there are others that are obviously, at first sight, incapable of either cure, or (which indeed rarely happens) of the least relief,—such cases however sometimes occur, and such I shall at once reject, as thinking it the height of cruelty and injustice, on the one hand, to deceive the unhappy sufferers with false and groundless hopes, which will but add to their afflictions, already grievous, the anxieties of doubtful expectation, and the pangs of the
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most cruel disappointment:—and, on the other hand, to rob of their money those unfortunate victims of pain and disease, whom I cannot amply repay with the invaluable blessing—with the precious treasure of ease, chearfulness and health:—among the former I reckon slight colds, accompanied with a cough and some degree of fever, but which are of very short duration; —regular and well-formed gouts, which affect the extremities only; and such trifling nervous complaints as will give way to abstinence from tea and other hot suppers, with a few of the common, light, cordial medicines.—LET NO SUCH APPLY TO ME, or if they should apply, take it amiss, that I recommend it to them to have recourse for relief to their Apothecary, or family Physician.—To patients of the latter sort, whose cases on examination I may find to be incurable, I shall recommend as some, and indeed the only relief of their present sufferings, a patient endurance of their unhappy lot, and a religious resignation to the will of that BEING who afflicteth us for our good, and often healeth unexpectedly by his almighty power.

My method of cure, as already mentioned, consists chiefly in a variety of Effluvia, Vapours, and Applications ætherial,

magnetic, or electric, adapted to the nature of each case, conveyed with certain curious machines into the Brain, spinal marrow, lungs, stomach, or other parts, as there may be occasion, and so applied to the parts affected, as to act immediately, and powerfully, on the cause of the disease.—These vapours, &c. are occasionally assisted by a few elegant medicines, and by a proper regulation of the diet and regimen of the patient; but are often sufficient of themselves, without any such help;—for they are of so extraordinary, active, penetrating, and salutary a nature, as not only to correct, in many cases, the *materies morbi*—the immediate cause of the disease,—but also to supply a vivifying spirit—a *pabulum vitæ*, to the injured or decayed constitution; on which account they are of immediate and surprising efficacy in all kinds of wasting and debility, whether arising from intemperance and excess, imprudence, disease, or natural decay;—not excepting that of old age itself,—when, as the great *LINNÆUS observes, “ *Substantia medullaris fit rigidior, unde omnes functiones languescunt* “ *vitales. Dentes corroduntur, elevantur et excidunt. Siccatur* “ *Caput et calvum evadit.—Fons aureus exarescit, omnisque* “ *voluptas* :

* Amœnitat. Academ. tom. vii. p. 82.

“ voluptas perit.”—When the silver cords are loosed, and the balmy juices dried up,—when all the vital functions languish,—when the golden fountain of life runs low,—and pleasure charms no more,—then these ætherial, vivifying medicines refresh, restore, and reanimate, acting INSTANTLY and powerfully, as a Divine restorative!—They do not, indeed, pretend to restore the old and infirm, to youth and vigour; but will always afford them immediate relief and refreshment, acting as fresh oil to an exhausted lamp, thereby happily lengthening life to the longest possible period; and often, very often, giving them ease, health, and serenity,—for pain, disease, dejection, and debility.

“ Εμοὶ δὲ τὸ μέν τι τῶν μὴ ἐυρημένων ἐξευρίσκειν, ὃ, τι, καὶ
ευρεθὲν κρέσσον ἢ ἀνεξευρετόν, ξυνέσιος δοκέει ἐπιθύμημά τε καὶ ἔργον
εἶναι.

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Rationalem quidem puto Medicinam esse debere; instrui vero ab
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CELSUS.

TO DR. GRAHAM.

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IN justice to your abilities, and to the indefatigable industry, by which you have attained a safe and an easy method of cure, in illnesses which, though common in this country, are, of all the various species of malady, the most afflicting, and the most dangerous to human existence.

In justice, I say, Sir, to you, and in compassion to the wretched victims of disease, I take this opportunity to declare, and I give you full liberty to publish the declaration, that I was unfortunately born with a very delicate constitution, and a weak system of nerves; that from my earliest infancy to the age of maturity, my health was continually disturbed with almost every species of fever, with violent colds, sore throats, and pains in the ears, attended with all the variety of symptoms which accompany a relaxed habit, and an irritable state of nerves. In this very weak state of health, I undertook the writing the History of the Stewarts; and I do not know whether

ther it is not impertinent to add, that seven years severe application reduced an originally tender frame to a state of insupportable weakness and debility : continual pains in the stomach, indigestion, tremblings of the nerves, shivering fits, repeated pains in the ears and throat, kept my mind and body in continual agitation; and marked, those which would otherwise have been the brightest of my days, with sorrow and despair. In one of these fits of despair, your pamphlet came to my hands. Its contents awakened my curiosity; I sent for you; you undertook my cure with alacrity, and gave me the pleasing hope of a restoration of health, or rather a new state of constitution; and I have the happiness to declare, that a great part of my disease immediately gave way to your Chemical Essences, your Ætherial, Magnetic, and Electric Applications: the pains in my ears and throat subsided, the fevers and irritations of my nerves left me, and my spirits were sufficiently invigorated to break from a confinement of six weeks, and to exercise in the open air. These exercises I have since in all weathers repeated, without omission, with a high degree of impunity; and, from the general amendment of my health, I am enabled to immerge
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out of a life of idleness which I abhor, and to renew my labours for the service of the public. I have also the greatest reason to hope that, with the blessing of God, I shall enjoy a more comfortable existence for the remainder of my life, than I had any prospect of enjoying before I had the good fortune to be acquainted with you.

I am, Sir,

Your very obedient,

And obliged humble Servant,

CATHARINE MACAULAY.

ALFRED-HOUSE, BATH,

Jan. 18, 1777.

P. S. I am happy, Sir, in being able, from what I have seen, and from what has come to my certain knowledge, to congratulate you on the success which has attended your method of cure in this city, in the most desperate state of consumptive, asthmatic, and nervous cases: such instances cannot fail to establish the reputation of your medical practice to your own honour and emolument, and to the blessing of mankind, in matters of the highest sublunary importance, viz. the prolongation of life, and the enjoyment of health.

To

TO DR. GRAHAM,

South Parade, Bath.

S I R,

IT is with the greatest satisfaction and pleasure I can assure you, that your late patient, *Anne Grosjean*, my French maid, is now perfectly recovered, from a complication of Disorders, with which she has been tormented during these eight years past.—A violent Nervous complaint, with its usual attendant Low-spirits,—a total loss of appetite,—and a slowness of circulation, sometimes approaching to a stagnation of the blood—had reduced her to a wretched situation, insomuch that Life was become a burden. She is now, by your kind care and assistance, (which she desires me to acknowledge in the strongest terms) enabled to fulfil the duties of her place;—has the happiness of being restored, by your means, to a chearful state of mind,—and to find herself, in every respect, as she could wish to be. I think it, Sir, incumbent upon me to add, that,

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to my certain knowledge, you have proved your skill in the cures of THREE other persons, whose maladies, in many respects, were of a still more dangerous nature.

I MUST beg you to accept *my own* Thanks, for the relief I have found in common head-aches, colds, and slight sore throats from your Chemical preparation taken as snuff, of which, two or three pinches, have entirely removed those teasing complaints:—Let me also observe that, whether it is owing to your Chemical Snuff or not, I have had no return since I have used it, of a Rheumatic pain in the face, to which I have been subject some years.

I sincerely wish you all the success and approbation you merit.

And am, SIR,

Your obliged humble servant,

ANNA MILLER.
BATH-EASTON VILLA,

Jan. the 31st, 1777.

To

To DR. GRAHAM.

S I R,

THE method you have so fortunately discovered of curing the most frequent and most fatal disorders to which the inhabitants of this Island are subject, is of so great importance to the World, that motives of humanity and compassion to the miserable individuals who languish under Consumptive or Nervous complaints, induce me to make my case public.—A case of so complicated, obstinate, and dangerous a nature, and so happily treated by the new and powerful method you have explored, that it cannot fail of making the deepest, most convincing, and most comforting impression on all such as may be therewith concerned.

I AM descended, Sir, from a Family rather consumptively inclined: my mother, and some others of the family died of that disorder; and I myself, from my infancy, was of a very tender constitution.

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SINCE a lying-in about nine years ago, I have never perfectly recovered, but have been almost constantly afflicted with Rheumatic or Nervous Fevers,—in that time, by frequent *certain accidents* which exceedingly weaken the constitution, and by violent bilious pains, and fevers, I lost my flesh, colour, spirits and strength—my sight and hearing too,—my voice, my memory, and indeed all my faculties mental as well as bodily, were exceedingly and very dangerously impaired; at times I coughed and spit considerably, had exquisitely violent pains in my breast and side, and my breathing was short and difficult.

FROM the very beginning, and in this melancholy condition, I consulted the most skilful Physicians,—and had every assistance that the faculty could afford, and by their judicious and very friendly care, I found temporary mitigations of my sufferings, and was sometimes flattered with the hopes of recovering and enjoying tolerable health.—But those hopes, alas! were of short duration; for, when I came under your care, the sixth day of last November, (encouraged by your recovering, two years ago, my daughter's health and hearing, both of which had for several years been in a very bad state)

state) I was so pale and emaciated, as to be scarce able to walk ; and in attempting to go up stairs, or any ascent, my breath was very short, and difficult, and I had the pain in my side most intolerably acute ; my fever was almost constant, though sometimes I was very cold ; I had sore throats, and an almost constant hoarseness or loss of voice ; my nights were restless,—I had a cough, spitting, severe nervous head-aches and giddiness, sudden starting, and uneasy agitations of mind ; I was tormented with fixed pains in my chest and side ; and with weariness, pain, and weakness in my limbs ; I laboured under loss of appetite, bad digestion, thirst, bilious retchings, languor, dejection, and, in short, I was afflicted with feelings and symptoms—more severely felt, than easily described.

It is now, Sir, little more than two months that I have been under your care at BATH ; I have neither bathed, nor drank the waters, and I thus publickly and most joyfully declare, that from the very first day, I began to feel myself better, and to mend in every respect ;—for, from the beginning, your very powerful Aërial, Ætherial, Magnetic, and Electric Medicines, Vapours, and Applications, internal as

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well as external, agreed with me perfectly well,—my fever gradually went off; my cough, spitting, and pains in my head, chest, and side, daily abated; my relish of food, my appetite, and my digestion, grew better and better;—the oppressive train of nervous symptoms went sensibly off; and at this time,—notwithstanding the very unfavourable season of the year, I have nearly recovered my former flesh, and colour; I sleep well, have strength, spirits, and a good appetite;—I walk or ride out in all weather; and in a very short time, I hope to return home, perfectly restored, and in every respect confirmed in good health; and I likewise declare, that I have attained to the happiness I now enjoy, without bleeding, blistering, confinement, or any shock or painful application.

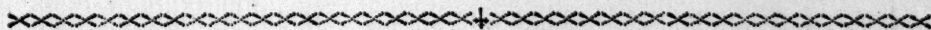
THOSE who wish for more minute particulars concerning my extraordinary case, may be fully satisfied, by applying here, or at my house on *St. Michael's Hill*, BRISTOL.

I am, Sir, your obliged humble servant,

M. DANIEL.

BATH, Jan. 18, 1777.

H. DISNEY ROEBUCK, Esq; of the *Crescent, Bath*, was for four years afflicted with a hardness of hearing and noise in his right ear,—and this disagreeable misfortune was considered as both dangerous and almost incurable, as it proceeded from a nervous cause. Mr. ROEBUCK, however, did Dr. GRAHAM the honour of committing himself to the Doctor's care; who in ten days removed the troublesome ringing noise, and restored him to perfectly good hearing, which he ever since has continued happily to enjoy.—Mr. ROEBUCK suffered no pain or shock from the Application of the Magnetic, Ætherial, Electric Remedies; nor any confinement or uneasiness from taking the inward Chemical Effences, or Nervous Medicines.



TO DR. G R A H A M.

S I R,

FOR the sake of those who are afflicted with Deafness, and in point of justice to you, I cannot but declare publicly the happiness I enjoy in being restored to distinct hearing.—

hearing.—Having been troubled, for more than twelve years, with a noise, cracking, and ringing in my head; and subject, moreover, to a gathering in my ears, which brought on a considerable degree of deafness, particularly in one ear.—I tried many things in vain.—Notwithstanding which, I applied to you several months ago, and was so fortunate, as by your means, to receive a cure.—I continue still to hear distinctly in both ears;—and, I present you with these lines, to make public if you think proper.

I am Sir, your's, &c.

S A R A H B R E T T.

Nº 16, New King-street, Bath, Jan. 3d.



To DR. GRAHAM.

S I R,

Circus, Bath, Jan. 1st.

IN justice to you, and in duty to my fellow creatures, permit me thus publicly to acknowledge the cure I have received through your means. About three years ago I was
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seized with a gloomy and very troublesome noise in my head, which brought on hardness of hearing in both ears:—the deafness of late increased exceedingly, and alarmed me much; but encouraged by your character of candour and honesty, and by the great number of astonishing cures you have by your peculiar art performed, I applied to you for relief, and I thank God that you have already restored me to the pleasurable enjoyment of perfectly distinct hearing in both ears. I am free from the noise, can hear the lowest whisper at a distance, and can enjoy with pleasure the company and conversation of my friends.—That you may continue to gladden dejected hearts, by restoring to health—and to society—the objects of your important profession, is and shall be the sincere and constant wish of, Sir,

Your obliged and very humble servant,

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TO DR. GRAHAM.

SIR,

ABOUT six years ago I was seized with a nervous disorder, of which I never perfectly recovered : but in the beginning of August last, I was suddenly and most dangerously attacked with a noisy whirling giddiness, and swimming in my head ; and an uncommonly violent palpitation of my heart ; I shook and trembled all over,—and these terrible complaints were soon followed with the greatest prostration of strength, and dejection of spirits, anxiety of mind, restlessness, loss of flesh, and extreme irritations of my whole nervous system, which reduced me so low, that for some time I was unable to walk up stairs,—and I was so very feeble as to be almost quite incapable of following my business ; my nerves were so weak, that on going before a stranger, or meeting suddenly with any one whom I had not seen for some time, I was agitated and affected to such a degree, as not to be able to speak to them for some time.

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IN this deplorable situation, Sir, I applied to you, and I now with the greatest pleasure declare, and I permit you to publish my letter, that in six weeks you have removed the noise and giddiness in my head,—I am quite free from the palpitation at my heart,—from the trembling of my limbs,—and anxiety and agitations of mind;—I sleep well, have a good appetite, have recovered my flesh, spirits and strength;—I now attend my business as usual, and enjoy the blessing of health, and that serenity of mind I had long been a stranger to; and all this I attribute under God to your excellent Chemical Essences and your powerful Aërial, Ætherial, Magnetic, and Electric Medicines and Applications,—the using of which occasioned neither shock, pain, confinement, or any disagreeable circumstances whatsoever.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient and obliged servant,

WILLIAM LEATHAM.

Walcot-street, Bath, Jan. 20, 1777.

To

TO DR. GRAHAM.

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ABOUT six years ago, from a severe cold, I was seized with a vrey great degree of deafness in both ears, and a most disagreeable and troublesome noise in my head,—the deafness and the noise continued ever since, and was considerably increased by a nervous complaint with which I have been much afflicted.—My hearing was, however, always relieved, in some small degree, in warm weather;—but from several applications, recommended to me, and which I tried from time to time, I found very little or no benefit.

IN this unhappy condition, and when I had almost despaired of ever being restored to the blessing of distinct hearing, I had the good luck to be recommended to you by a Lady whom you had cured—and I have the pleasure of declaring, thus publicly, that, by your newly discovered Ætherial, Magnetic Applications, &c. I have had the happiness of recovering the most comfortable and distinct hearing in both ears, and am free from that melancholy distracting noise in my head with which I had been for so many years afflicted.

J A N E J O N E S.

At Mrs. Hutchinson's Gay-street,
Corner-house, Bath, Jan. 29, 1777.

TO these Ladies and Gentlemen who *now*, and to every Individual who *heretofore*, have thus voluntarily so highly honoured me, by bearing public testimony to the benefit they have received, I beg leave to present my most respectful acknowledgements; assuring them, that, the kind indulgence with which they have accepted of my humble, yet strenuous endeavours to serve them, I consider, and will ever esteem, as a proof of the generous liberality of their sentiments, which the Public must applaud, and of which I will always retain the most grateful and most cordial remembrance.

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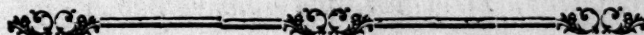
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Physicians in England, in Consumptive and Nervous Disorders,—in putrid, bilious, and paralytic cases,—have been snatched from the grave, and happily restored useful members to society; and to the inexpressible comfort of their friends and families,

FOR various reasons, particularly to prevent abuse, sophistication, or misapplication, I have made it an invariable rule in every case, internal and external, to apply the aërial, ætherial, magnetic, and electric medicines, vapours,—and effluvia, *myself*:—Indeed they are of so curious and important a nature, as scarcely to permit, were I so inclined, of a deviation from that rule. They cannot be applied with advantage but with my own hand. I hope, therefore, that no one will give me the pain of refusing, by desiring me to depart from my usual, fixed, and determined plan.

As to the terms, they are regulated by the abilities of the patient, the nature of the case, and the degree of relief afforded. But the Public may be assured, that the most moderate

derate terms which the nature of the attendance and expence of medicines will bear, will be insisted on. A fee for consultation is taken, as by other Physicians; and the most candid and satisfactory opinion may, in all cases, be depended on.



A D V E R T I S E M E N T.

*D*R. GRAHAM, now at his Apartments, N^o 4, South-Parade, Bath, (where he proposes to remain till the middle of April next) thinks it a duty incumbent on him, for the PUBLIC GOOD, as well as for his own Emolument, to depart from, what is called, the Regular Mode of Practice, and thus publicly to recommend his Chemical Essences, and Aërial, Ætherial, Magnetic, and Electric Vapours, Medicines, and Applications, as the most elegant, speedy, and certain Methods of CURE, in Consumptions, Asthmas, Gout in the Head or Stomach, Hysterical, Spasmodic, or Paralytic Affections of the Nerves; Fits, and Lethargic Complaints; in Lameness, Pain, Swelling,

Swelling, and Contractions of the Sinews and Joints; in every species of Wasting and Nervous Weakness; in all FEMALE COMPLAINTS, especially when weak and emaciated to the last degree; in Slow, Nervous, Hætic, Bilious, and Putrid Fevers; in all malignant, and Pestilential Diseases, and ulcerous Sore Throats; in Scorbutic, Gouty, Dropical, and relaxed habits; in all bilious, weak, and windy complaints in the Stomach and Bowels; in the oldest and most severe Nervous or Rheumatic Pains in the Head or Face; in Cancerous and other obstinate Ulcers; in Scrophulous Maladies, and all Glandular Swellings and Obstructions; in total or partial Blindness or Deafness; in weak and sore Eyes; in Hardness of Hearing, accompanied with noise or ulcerations of the Ears, &c. in which cases, by the above means, or by his judicious manual operation, very many hundreds have been restored to the perfect use of these most precious senses, and to the enjoyment of perfect Health, after having been reduced to the greatest extremity of danger by the above-mentioned fatal disorders.

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